

Within Three Months

Supreme Court Says States Can't Prohibit Abortion!

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today barred the states from interfering with the decision of a woman and her doctor to end pregnancies within the first three months.

Justice Harry A. Blackmun said medical data indicates abortion in the first three months "although not without its risk, is now relatively safe."

Therefore, he said, "any interest of the state in protecting the woman from an inherently hazardous procedure ... has largely disappeared."

The Texas law made it a crime to end a pregnancy except "for the purpose of saving the life of the mother."

The ruling followed two years of deliberations by the justices. It was based predominantly on what Blackmun called a right of privacy. He said the right "is broad enough to encompass a woman's decision whether or not to terminate her pregnancy."

Smoking Dynamite Can Be Injurious To Your Health

CARSONVILLE, Mich. (AP) — A 21-year-old man was killed early Sunday in this Sanilac County community when a half-stick of dynamite he was smoking like a cigar exploded, state police said.

Police said James Connolly ignited a three-inch fuse on the dynamite and was about to take the explosive out of his mouth when it blew up, decapitating him.

Authorities said two other persons in the room with Connolly suffered minor injuries.

Police said Connolly and his companions were in a tavern talking about dangerous things they had done, and Connolly said he had once smoked a stick of dynamite.

The group drove to a nearby farm, where the mishap occurred, to get the explosive so Connolly could repeat his stunt.

Justices Byron R. White and William H. Rehnquist dissented, White said he could "find nothing in the language or history of the Constitution to support the court's judgment."

Rehnquist, meanwhile, said "the court's sweeping invalidation of any restrictions on abortion during the first trimester is impossible to justify ..."

In a second 7 to 2 ruling, the court struck down Georgia's abortion law, finding three provisions to be unconstitutional. They were that in the first three months the operation be performed in an accredited hospital, that a medical committee must give its approval and that two physicians must concur with the woman's own physician that the pregnancy should be terminated.

Blackmun said the "interposition of a hospital abortion committee is unduly restrictive of the patients' rights."

Summarized, the court held: 1. The states are barred from restricting abortions within the first three months.

2. In this period the abortion decision must be left to the medical judgment of the pregnant woman's own physician.

3. After the first three months the state, if it chooses, may regulate abortion procedures "in ways that are reasonably related to maternal health."

4. In approximately the last three months of pregnancy, the state may if it chooses, regulate and even prohibit abortions to preserve the expectant mother's life or health.

5. The state may allow only licensed physicians to perform abortions and may prohibit abortions by nonphysicians.

Blackmun wound up his 51-page opinion with these remarks:

"This holding, we feel, is consistent with the relative weights of the respective interests involved, with the

Death Toll May Be High

Jetliner Crashes In North Africa

KANO, Nigeria (AP) — A Jordanian jetliner bringing 202 Moslems home from a pilgrimage to Mecca crashed on landing in a fog here today and burst into flames. Officials said most were killed.

The death toll was variously given as 162 and 191 as rescue teams went through the burned wreckage. Radio Nigeria reported about 40 survivors, but officials here said they have recovered 11 persons alive.

A witness said the plane was engulfed in flames after it crashed on the runway at about 10 a.m.

Army troops, police, firemen and health workers were called in to help search for bodies and survivors and to clear the wreckage.

The world's worst air disaster took the lives of 176 persons in the crash of a Soviet Aeroflot jet near Moscow last Oct. 14.

Mecca, the holiest place of Moslems, is in Saudi Arabia. The Royal Jordanian Airlines Boeing 707 left Saudi Arabia from Jidda, near Mecca, on the 2,100-mile flight to Kano.



EARLY EMPLOYMENT PAYS OFF: Ten month-old Kevin Forwith of Milford, Ohio displays his first paycheck. Kevin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Forwith received the check from a laboratory for taking a daily bath for 12 weeks with a test soap. Mrs. Forwith said Kevin "doesn't have much to say" about how the check will be used, but "he'd rather eat it than anything." (AP Wirephoto)

Woman Discovers Too Late Bedmate Not Her Husband

COPENHAGEN (AP) — Police at Birkerød, north of Copenhagen, are looking for a man who sneaked into a house at night and had sexual relations with a woman who thought he was her husband.

The 46-year-old woman said she did not discover her mistake until the intruder was climbing out of bed again and she discovered her husband snoring in the other bed, police said.

Her shrieks woke up the husband and their

three children, but the man got away.

Police are treating the matter as a case of rape although the woman admitted that she willingly submitted and had no complaints until she discovered that her bedmate was a stranger. However, the police said the man could be charged with violating an ancient Danish law that provides for up to four years imprisonment for "tricking a woman into the act of love by pretending to be her wedded husband."

U.S. Ready To Test Its Bedroom Warning System

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon plans wide-scale tests next month on a radio warning system it wants to put in your bedroom.

The radio receiver listens silently to a government frequency and comes to life only when the military activates it with a special, coded signal.

The aim is to save lives by broadcasting warnings of tornadoes, hurricanes, floods or nuclear attack. Installation of the radio device would be voluntary.

Originally, Civil Defense officials hoped for a law requiring that the radio receivers be built into every new television set sold in the United States.

But White House broadcasting officials overruled the military, which runs Civil Defense operations, at least temporarily. They feared the public might interpret mandatory installation of the receivers as part of a government propaganda system similar to the one used by dictator Big Brother in George Orwell's novel "1984."

In that book, government agents kept watch on citizens in their homes through closed-circuit television cameras. Big Brother could pre-empt any program to deliver orders or propaganda.

The Pentagon's system can only talk, not watch or listen. Regular commercial broadcasts aren't affected.

Civil Defense officials, who conceived the warning system, have built a bombproof radio transmitter near Baltimore

and plan to start test broadcasts to a 10-state area in early February.

About 400 high-priced receivers are being built, and will be distributed at first only to state and local government authorities who want them.

But technicians are close to perfecting a home receiver

cheap enough—about \$10—for almost anyone to afford.

The civil defense officials call the system DIDS, for Decision Information Distribution System.

Planning began in 1964. Small-scale field tests were conducted in 1968 and Congress appropriated \$2 million for the

first transmitter and receivers in 1970. Cost overruns have raised the initial price to \$5.7 million.

Next month's tests are successful, and if Congress goes along, the Pentagon plans eventually to build a total of 10

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HIGH VOLTAGE HAIRDO: Boni Petersen, a junior at Hillcrest high school in Dallas, Tex., found her physics class anything but dull when she received 200,000 volts from an electrostatic generator that caused her hair to stand on end. The charge is both harmless and painless. (AP Wirephoto)

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Captured Enemy Papers Point To Sunday Peace

WASHINGTON (AP) — As captured enemy documents signaled a midweek initialing of a cease-fire accord, Henry A. Kissinger heads back to Paris today to join allied and Communist officials in the last steps toward ending the Vietnam war.

Before the presidential assistant left Andrews Air Force Base, he was to get last-minute instructions from President Nixon at a breakfast-hour White House meeting.

Officially, the White House continued to portray the purpose of Kissinger's return to the French capital as "completing the text of an agree-

ment" to end the fight.

But a flurry of developments Sunday bolstered the belief that an agreement soon will be signed, calling for a cease-fire, the return of prisoners of war, and machinery to reshape the South Vietnamese government.

The major developments:

—Senior South Vietnamese officials said captured documents from the Communist high command stated that an agreement will be initiated at 8 a.m. EST Wednesday, that it will be formally signed on Saturday and that a cease-fire will go into effect on Sunday, Jan. 28.

—While shying away from

specific dates, Washington sources indicated that Nixon has set a goal of wrapping up the Vietnam agreement this week and that, barring unexpected snags, the President is confident of hitting that target.

—South Vietnamese Foreign Minister Tran Van Lam told an interviewer as he departed for Paris that Vice President Spiro T. Agnew will be in Saigon on Jan. 28, presumably to demonstrate that Washington and Saigon were entering the post-war era shoulder-to-shoulder.

—Agnew himself said he couldn't answer when asked whether he will be heading for Saigon, saying the President

would have to make "that announcement."

—Congressional sources reported that Nixon plans a meeting with Capitol Hill leaders within the next few days, providing him a forum to brief them on details of a peace

—The Viet Cong foreign minister, Mrs. Nguyen Thi Binh, arrived in Paris and said the Communists are ready to "do everything possible to achieve a quick settlement." But, she said, "everything depends on the United States."

Mrs. Binh said the proposed agreement offers the United States "an honorable way out of its dirty war."

Howard Hughes' Aides Deny Boss Had Heart Attack

LONDON (AP) — Billionaire Howard Hughes has suffered an apparent heart attack, the Daily Mirror reported today.

The mass-circulation tabloid said the 68-year-old Hughes has been confined to bed in his ninth-floor suite at the plush "Inn at the Park" hotel and ordered to stop work.

The paper reported Hughes aides as believing the American had suffered a heart attack, but also quoted a spokesman as saying: "It is true that Mr. Hughes has not been too well. But he is now fit and well. During the past week Mr. Hughes has been confined to bed."

However, a spokesman

for Hughes in Los Angeles, Richard Hannah, said he had checked with Hughes' aides Sunday night and found no basis for the Mirror report. "It was some wild, guesswork story based on nothing at all," he said.

Hannah said he had no knowledge of Hughes being ill recently.

The Mirror, which also reported that an American heart specialist had been called in last week, reported that special smooth plastic-coated matting had been laid over the thick carpets in Hughes' suite so he could move around more easily in a wheelchair which was delivered last week.

Meanwhile, the hotel still



HOWARD HUGHES

insisted that Hughes was not in the hotel.

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Editorial Page

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LMC Case Demonstrates 'Fact-Finding' A Myth

Fortunately for the taxpayers of Berrien county, the recommendations of a State Labor Department fact-finder are not binding on the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees.

Called in to unravel long-stalled pay negotiations between the LMC faculty and board, Fact-Finder J. Warren Eardley of Grand Rapids recommended late Friday that teachers be given a 5.5 per cent pay hike plus the regular "horizontal" and "vertical" increases that are built into the teachers' so-called salary grid.

LMC Vice President William Niemi estimated the fact-finder's recommendations would average about 8.5 per cent per teacher, or about \$1,100 per instructor, ranging from a low of \$500-plus to a top of \$2,142.

The college board's negotiating team has held that no pay increases should be given. If that position could be put to the public along with Fact-Finder Eardley's recommendation, a substantial majority of voters would endorse the board's position. By comparison with private industry in this area, wages and working conditions for the LMC faculty are already excellent.

The average full-time teacher at LMC made \$15,353.87 last year. Two of them drew over \$20,000 a piece. Figures represent the pay they got for their regular 36-week teaching year, plus extra money they received for special assignment duties, overload classes above 16 classroom hours per week, night classes and summer school classes. They were paid \$12 per hour for overload and night classes and \$14 an hour for summer classes.

Forty of the 63 full-time faculty members drew pay for extra work. Without extra pay for the "overtime" efforts, the average teacher was paid \$13,381 for 36 weeks work.

The process of fact-finding is intended by law to represent outside, impartial contract recommendations where negotiations are at an impasse. The only "fact" Eardley's recommendations

demonstrate is that the alleged impartiality of the process is a complete myth.

What the process really adds up to is that, as the old saying goes, one hand washes another.

Fact-finders are hired by the state labor department. They are usually professors or attorneys or someone engaged in a type of occupation that's supposed to make them particularly knowledgeable.

Of course, they also have the knowledge that if they don't satisfy the labor department bureaucrats, as well as the contesting public employees, they won't get any more fact-finding contracts. So they issue their reports accordingly, and wage escalation proceeds apace.

All over the state, local boards of control are getting whipsawed between public employee unions and the so-called fact-finders. The state-dominated negotiations produce a pay increase in one college district or city, and then all others have to go up, too, in order to maintain "equity."

Meanwhile, the taxpayer gets an ever-bigger bill but finds that his "public servants" are working less and providing less and less service.

According to the best estimate, one out of every four or four and a half employed persons is now employed by government. The almost automatic escalation of their pay, along with the also almost automatic deduction of the hours they work, is the biggest single factor contributing to the inflationary spiral robbing hourly workers, pensioners and the aged.

Last month, the magazine U.S. News & World Report published statistics showing that salaries for government employees in virtually every category far exceed salaries for their counterparts in the private sector of the economy—by as much as 40 per cent, according to one estimate.

It is ridiculous to expand the gap. Somewhere, sometime the free riders have got to be kicked off the bureaucratic merry-go-round. It might as well be at LMC.

Sen. Vance Hartke Has Bad Case Of The Big Head

U.S. Sen. Vance Hartke has a bad case of the big head. Either that, or he's just not aware that skyjackings are dangerous.

Last week the Indiana Democrat refused to undergo a routine search by a metal detector at the Evansville, Ind., airport. Despite his refusal, he was permitted to board an Allegheny Airlines plane bound for Indianapolis. Airline and airport officials should have told him to sit and wait for a horse car.

Attempting to justify his refusal, Hartke said "I have consistently and with rising indignation objected to airport searches which go far beyond legal and necessary protection against hijackers."

It seems that the metal detector used at the Evansville airport requires persons to stand with their arms raised while the instrument is passed in and around their clothing. The airport has ordered the more common door-frame type of metal detector through which boarding passengers walk.

But for the time being, Evansville has only the one kind of detector. Although its use is slightly more personal and takes a mite longer than the door-frame type,

there's nothing about it that subjects the passenger to any indignity or embarrassment—unless he happens to have a weapon on him.

Several deaths and injuries already have resulted from skyjackings. But their total is insignificant with the potentially huge disasters that could take place. Every poll shows that the flying public, sensitive to the hazards, is almost unanimous in support of pre-boarding searches, regardless of the fact that the searches are time-consuming.

The procedure of screening out potential skyjackers is still in its infancy and bound to have some objectionable features. Later on, new techniques may smooth it out.

Meanwhile, every responsible citizen should cooperate with airline and public authorities in trying to screen out the kooks. Having one's jacket rumpled a bit, or waiting five or 10 extra minutes, is a small price to pay for saving one life—or hundreds.

There's no issue of civil or individual rights involved here. It's a common sense matter of survival.

In particular, a U.S. senator should be setting a good example for the public at large instead of acting like a spoiled brat.

Landscape Diet

The chief groundskeeper at the University of Florida is upset with health food faddists on his campus. They have been feasting on his ornamental plants. "No doubt about it," complained Noel Lake. "Several years ago, we had ornamental herb and vegetable plants scattered all around this campus and nobody noticed it."

"Then, six weeks ago, we planted vegetables we had grown from seed in our greenhouses. Three weeks later, I inspected the flower bed and found bare spots."

"The health food kick is undoubtedly responsible for the increased interest in our landscaping."

Well, That Fellow Daniel Came Out Okay!



GLANCING BACKWARDS

WATERS STORE HAS NEW OWNERS

—1 Year Ago—

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Guertel don't expect they will get in much golf this summer as they have enjoyed in the past.

They will be busy serving customers in the Walters Paint and Wallpaper store in St. Joseph. The Guertels took over the operation from Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Walters on Jan. 1. Harvey Walters has started to retire after operating the store in the same location for 22 years. The store, at 313 Main street, St. Joseph, has full paint facilities and equipment for mixing literally thousands of colors.

EHRENBERG, MOLLOY RUN

—10 Years Ago—

Prospects of a wide-open city commission race developed today when W. H. (Duke)

Ehrenberg and Phil Molloy jumped into the campaign.

With five candidates seeking the two open commission spots, a primary election, the first in years, is scheduled to be held Feb. 18. The two incumbents, Tom H. Sparks and William A. Rill have already filed petitions. C. A. (Toby) Tobias, a member of the city planning commission and a service station operator, has announced he planned to run. Ehrenberg, who served as a commissioner for 13 years before resigning in 1959, was first appointed Feb. 5, 1946, to fill the unexpired term of Paul Barlow.

YANKSLAND NEAR ROME

—29 Years Ago—

Powerful American and British forces of the Fifth army striking by sea toward Rome landed on the west coast of

central Italy before dawn today in a heavy attack to smash the Germans' flank and turn their winter fortifications in the Gustav and Adolf Hitler lines.

The first landings were successful, winning a beachhead several miles long, and "the situation is developing favorably," allied headquarters announced at noon. The announcement did not locate the invasion point.

FAVOR PURCHASE

—39 Years Ago—

Members of the Berrien Horticultural society have voted unanimously in favor of its committee continuing negotiations with the Benton Harbor city commission for the purchase of the fruit market there by growers. Two hundred attended the meeting.

TO BUILD CLUB

—49 Years Ago—

With only one opposing vote among members, the Berrien Country club decided at the annual banquet to erect a new club house at the Berrien Hills course which will be the pride of the twin cities. Construction will probably start immediately and the approximate cost will be \$20,000 and \$5,000 will be spent on furnishings. Homer Harper is the architect.

GUN FIRE

—59 Years Ago—

Frequent complaints of reckless shooting, particularly on the piers and the north side, resulted in an issuance by order of Police Chief Fred Alden forbidding the use of firearms within the city limits.

TO BUILD COTTAGES

—81 Years Ago—

Barney Greening has bought a lot on Church street, south of the German church, through House's agency, and will proceed at once to build two fine cottages, costing \$1,000 each.

BERRY'S WORLD



"I just finished reading 'I'm O.K., You're O.K.,' God-father, and I want you should know—we're O.K.!"

Ray Cromley

Nixon Has These Inflation Tools



WASHINGTON, (NEA) — It has been announced that President Nixon has ended most price controls. That's not quite the way it looks from here.

In reality, the President and his aides have decided on what in effect will amount to more rigorous controls — if they are enforced.

These new controls will be indirect, to be sure. They will seem less tight and allow more leeway. They may not be visible to the naked eye. But they may be more rigorous and harsh at the price limits than Phase I or Phase II.

In these new procedures, the tightening or easing of voluntary or legal controls on exports or imports of commodities and other goods will be a major weapon. The products affected, of course, will be those whose prices are rising at an unseemingly rate, or goods essential to the manufacture of products whose prices are jumping.

The President will use two other major weapons. He will take, or threaten to take, commodities out of one stockpile or another. He will change rules and regulations of one type or another to spur competition and greater production.

In the stockpile maneuver, Mr. Nixon has taken a leaf from Robert S. McNamara's tough steps as secretary of Defense. Back in 1965, to hold down prices of military purchases, McNamara arranged for considerable quantities of

copper to be released from the nation's stockpiles.

In the current Nixon actions, his agriculture price control steps can serve as a model for further controls, if and when they're needed, which can be applied across the board to a wide range of commodities and components.

Note these crucial Nixon actions: To bring food prices down, some expert subsidies are eliminated, all stocks of grain owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation (except for small emergency reserves) will be moved into market channels, CCC loans on grain crops prior to 1972 will be called and no extension of loans allowed for the 1972 crop wheat. Mandatory set-aside acreages are eliminated under the 1973 wheat program.

In mid-1972, Mr. Nixon in effect abolished temporarily the voluntary quotas on the export of hides in order to slow down the rise in shoe prices.

In late December of last year, Mr. Nixon suspended all quotas for meat imports through 1973. On Dec. 30, the Department of Agriculture temporarily suspended quotas on imported nonfat dry milk.

At one time or another, the administration has leaked suggestions that import restrictions on this or that commodity might be removed if U.S. firms failed to control prices. It appears now that American manufacturers and other producers will do well to take these trial balloons seriously.

Marianne Means

President Is Human, After All



WASHINGTON — Richard Nixon is more mortal than monument after all.

This startling revelation came just before he was sworn into office for a second term, but it was too late then for the public to reconsider.

For four years, President Nixon has been hiding behind his office. He has refused to let America play on his lawn. He has conveyed antiseptic dignity and official majesty and very little in the way of individual personality. Depending upon the viewpoint, he has been described variously as superpresident, plastic man, cold fish, and imitation de Gaulle.

But now the terrible truth is out. The President has hay fever. He sneezes sometimes. His eyes water sometimes. Oh, ignoble allergy. Whoops, a human failing.

The fact the President has an irritable minor condition shared by millions of Americans has been as closely guarded a secret as the peace talks in Paris. The President's personal physician, Dr. Walter

Tkach, insisted to Associated Press reporter Saul Pett a week ago that the President has no allergies, no other ailments, and never so much as a headache. But a White House aide spilled the beans and a referee to hay fever was discovered by Pett in Nixon's book, "My Six Crises."

Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren finally confirmed to this columnist that "occasionally the foliage at Camp David bothers him."

All that Nixon's secrecy proves is that Presidents seem to have one thing in common, no matter what their life style or party label. They may develop a relatively thick skin toward criticism of their philosophy or programs, but are swathed in sheer tissue paper where comments on their personal health or appearance are involved.

President Lyndon Johnson used to instruct Press Secretary George Christian to say that his weight always remained "about the same," even when it was clear to the most casual observer that his belt buckle had been moved across his stomach two more notches.

President John Kennedy went to considerable trouble to conceal the fact that he was allergic to dog hair, because having and loving dogs was considered a very politic thing to do. He also carefully never wore in public the glasses he needed for tedious reading lest he be photographed in them.

Frank Mankiewicz, then Sen. Robert Kennedy's press secretary, paid a special visit to my office for the sole purpose of objecting to my observation that the Senator's hair was receding at the temples.

So Presidents and Presidential candidates have vanity, too, like the rest of us.

Shoot-To-Kill

SAIGON (AP) — President Nguyen Van Thieu was reported today to have issued his troops and police shoot-to-kill orders against Communist demonstrators, rioters and sympathizers who try to take advantage of the cease-fire expected soon.

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Electronics Usher In New Age Of Printing

**This Newspaper First In The World
With Computerized Full-Page Ad**

BY JAKE SHUBINSKI
Staff Writer

What was described five months ago in a national printing trade magazine as a "future radical change in the newspaper industry" is here now for this newspaper.

On page nine of today's edition is the first full page ad in the world ever composed by a Harris 2200 Display Ad Video Terminal tied to a TXT type setting machine using an optical character recognition device for entering.

Combined, the three machines form a system that allows an operator to visually arrange ad copy on a cathode ray tube in full-size electronic image to match a layout as to type size and position.

The 2200 is manufactured by

the Harris Intertype Co. of Melbourne, Fla., and designed by Otto E. Lanz, Leon Williamson, installation and training supervisor for Harris, have been here for the past 10 days with other engineers from Harris setting up the new, highly computerized equipment.

The two new machines, along with an optical character recognition device called Compuscan in use at this newspaper for almost a year, has taken the guess work out of setting ads. While being used at this time only to set and layout display ads, the system, in the near future, will also be used for classified ads as well as all text in this newspaper.

Ad copy is typed, ready for the Compuscan, by the advertising dispatch department. The tape generated by the compuscan is then fed through the 2200 and appears on a screen, ready for the operator to compose the ad.

The operator positions the copy on the screen to match the exact layout desired. The copy appears in the actual type size and set width for any style of type selected.

As the operator positions the copy, layout instructions are computed by the 2200 system. When limitations of the typesetting equipment are exceeded, errors are indicated by blinking text on the video display screen at the exact point the errors occur. The operator can adjust the copy as necessary for proper typesetting.

Any adjustment made by the operator is immediately shown on the screen.

When the screen display matches the desired layout, the 2200 perforates a tape complete with all text and layout function codes required to drive the typesetting system.

The tape is then run through the TXT which produces the copy on a photo sensitive paper which is developed, dried and then used for pasteup.

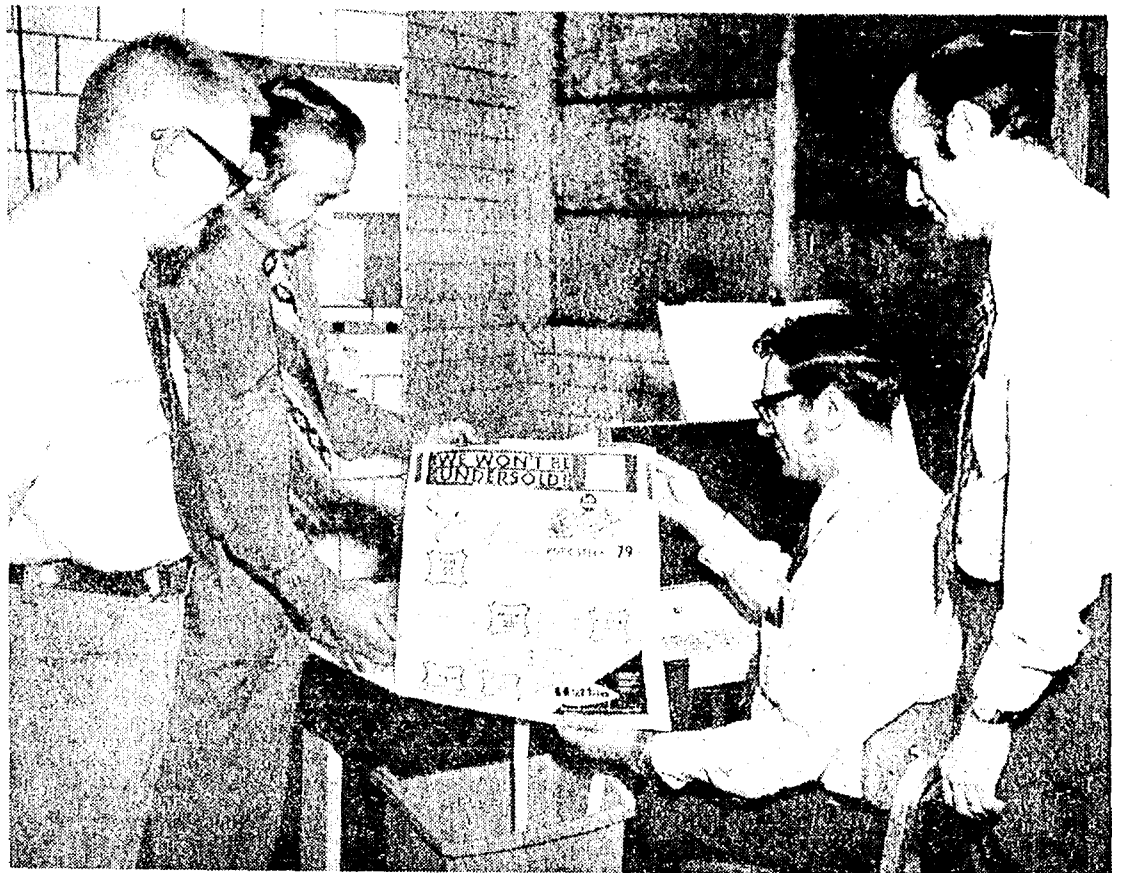
The TXT can reproduce 12 different sizes of type ranging from one-sixteenth of an inch to one inch in depth making it capable of quickly producing any reading matter that might appear in this newspaper.

The latest installations at this newspaper's Benton Harbor printing plant are part of a production changeover from mechanical to electronic methods taking place over the past two years. Photo-typesetters and computers were installed several years ago to speed up composition of advertising copy, headlines and news text type.

Next step last March was to install fiber-optic scanners by which typed sheets of paper can be dropped in a slot and converted into type automatically.

Addition of the TXT's and the Harris 2200 now make it possible not only to produce whole advertisements in the same manner, but immensely speed production of headlines and news text, as well.

In most instances, this



FIRST IN THE WORLD: Gene Rose, seated, assistant composing room foreman at this newspaper, completes first full page ad in the world set on the Harris 2200 Display Ad Video Terminal machine that has just been installed at the Benton Harbor plant. Looking on, from

left, is William Fisher, this newspaper's production manager; Leon Williamson, installation and training supervisor for the Harris Intertype Co.; and Otto E. Lanz, the designer of the machine. (Staff Photo)



PART OF SYSTEM: Harris Intertype engineer Jerry Downing shows printers Jerry Hunt, left, and Donald Deckert how to work the Intertype Fototronic TXT system. This is another of this newspaper's new computerized systems that speeds production in all phases of printing. (Staff Photo)

Lincoln Supervisor Answers Criticism Of Water Project

Lincoln township Supervisor Ernest Hauch today issued a statement in response to comments on the proposed Lincoln township water program by Reuben Newman of Stevensville.

Newman's statement was published Saturday in this newspaper.

"This water expansion project is not something the board dreamed up over night and decided to bring before the people," Hauch said. "It is the result of years of research, planning, endless meetings, engineering — always with the health and welfare of Lincoln township people in mind."

Public hearing on the proposal to extend water mains in the township and to finance the project through creation of a special assessment district is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Lincoln township hall.

Hauch said that arrangements have been made to shift the hearing to the Stevensville elementary school if the township hall is too small to handle the number of citizens attending.

The text of Hauch's statement:

"TO THE PEOPLE OF LINCOLN TOWNSHIP:

"After reading the letter Mr. Reuben Newman had printed in this newspaper on January 20, 1973, in which he appears to direct a personal attack against the Lincoln Township Board, in behalf of our Board, our Citizen's Planning Committee, our Planning Commission, and the many, many residents who desperately need a pure water supply, I feel it becomes necessary to answer his letter point by point.

"The water expansion project is not something the Board dreamed up over night and decided to bring before the people! It is the result of years of research, planning, endless meetings, engineering — always with the health and welfare of Lincoln Township people in mind.

"In 1963 a proposal was put before the voters of Lincoln Township to establish our own system, together with St. Joseph Township, completely separate from the City of St. Joseph. This was rejected by the voters by a vote of 2 to 1!

"The next alternative was a 30-year contract worked out with the City of St. Joseph for purchase of water. The rate agreed upon was 50 per cent over city rates, this 50 per cent

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KNIGHT OF YEAR: Wally Warskow (left), grand knight of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Knights of Columbus council, presents plaque to John Adam in recognition of Adam's selection as Knight of the Year. Presentation was made at banquet Sunday at Knights of Columbus clubrooms, Fairplain Plaza. (Pete Mitchell photo)



TV REPRODUCTION: Gene Rose, seated, is ready to start setting first in the world full page ad for this newspaper as Leon Williamson, installation and training supervisor for the Harris Intertype Co. watches. The Harris 220 Display Ad Video Terminal system is just one of the many new computerized methods of printing a newspaper that has been installed at the Benton Harbor plant. (Staff Photo)

newspaper has been among the first half dozen or dozen printing plants throughout the world to install the equipment. Visitors have come from near and far the past year to view the operation.

Gone from this newspaper's composing room are the hot, smoking devices that formerly produced hot metal type. The product that comes off the new

electronic equipment is type that appears on white sheets of paper just as it appears in the final newspaper that reaches readers' doors. Similarly, the complicated process of producing zinc photoengravings has, for the most part, been dropped. A new camera system produces

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BH Pedestrians Are Victims Of Armed Robberies

In a four-hour span Sunday night and early this morning Benton Harbor police investigated three armed robberies of pedestrians, and one armed robbery attempt in which a man was shot in the leg after refusing to give up money.

Police indicated three of the robberies appeared related as the bandit approached the victims and asked for a light for a cigarette.

Police identified the gunshot victim in the attempted robbery as Dwight Williams, 22, of 123 North Seeley street, Benton Harbor. He was treated for a wound to the leg and released at Mercy hospital.

Williams said he was walking behind his house, next to his garage at 1:32 a.m. when three men approached and asked for money.

He said he told them he had none, and wouldn't give any to them if he did. One suspect pulled a pistol, and shot him, then all three fled, police said.

Police said a lone gunman escaped with \$115 after robbing a man and wife at 2:45 a.m. near the intersection of Highland avenue and Benton street.

The victims were identified as Curtis and Mervin Bellazer, 31 and 26 respectively. Police said Bellazer resides at 1023 Blossom lane, Benton township, and his wife in Chicago.

They told officers they were walking on Highland near Oden street when a car stopped, a man got out, and asked for a light. After getting the light, the man got back in the car, and then accosted them again at Benton, where he pulled a pistol and stole a purse and wallet. He made his getaway in the car.

Talmadge Fleming, 49, of 346 Fair avenue, Benton Harbor, reported he was robbed of his wallet containing no cash as he was walking alongside his apartment building at 12:35 a.m.

He said a man approached him, and asked for a light for a cigarette. When he replied he had no matches, the man pulled a gun, and demanded the wallet.

Fleming said the bandit fired a pistol shot into the air. He then grabbed the wallet and fled on foot.

William Pierce, 65, of 240 Brunson avenue, told officers his wallet containing \$1 was stolen at 11 p.m. Sunday as he was walking onto a porch at a house at 308 High street.

He said a man asked for a light, and when he replied he didn't smoke, the bandit took his wallet and fled on foot after pulling a revolver.

In all three of the robberies in which money or wallets were stolen, the suspect was described as a black male in his late twenties or early thirties, about 5'7", 165 pounds, and wearing a dark, waist length coat.

St. Joe Woman Killed In Illinois Car Crash

Mrs. George (Henrietta) Smith, 74, of 840 Napier avenue, St. Joseph, was killed Saturday morning at Watseka, Ill., in a one-car traffic accident.

Illinois state police at the Ashkun post reported a car driven by her husband rolled over into a cornfield at the east edge of Watseka. Mrs. Smith was thrown from the vehicle and it came to rest on top of her. Trooper Donald Thompson reported the car's seat belts were not used.

Trooper Clarence Hedge of the Ashkun post said her husband, who suffered minor injuries, reported he had dozed

off and had run off the left side of the road. He swerved back onto the pavement of U.S. 24, lost control, and the car rolled over into a cornfield on the other side of the highway, according to the state police report.

It was reported here that the couple was en route to Watseka to visit a sister of Mrs. Smith. Watseka is about 60 miles south of Chicago.

Mrs. Smith was born in Gilman, Ill., Dec. 11, 1898, and had lived in this area for 30 years. In 1963, she retired from Mullen Container Corp.

Survivors include her hus-

band, George, whom she married Oct. 24, 1942, in St. Joseph; two daughters, Mrs. Lester (Macanna) Birmingham of Niles, Ill., and Mrs. Eugene (Blanche) Eklund of St. Joseph; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Ledah Zeedyk of Watseka.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Kerley and Starks funeral home. The Rev. Richard K. Williams, assistant pastor of the Peace Temple United Methodist church, will officiate.

Burial will be in North Shore Memory Gardens.



MRS. GEORGE SMITH

Musicians Will Play Tuesday

Milton Junior High school musicians will present the numbers they will play at a solo and ensemble festival Saturday at Fairplain Junior High school at a practice concert Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

Milton Junior High school is located at 1520 Niles avenue, St. Joseph. The concert is free and open to the public.

Farewell Visit

VATICAN CITY (AP) — The U.S. Ambassador to Italy, Graham Martin, paid a farewell call on Pope Paul VI today. Martin is being replaced by John Volpe.

Shore Erosion Fighters Seeking Help

Berrien Landowners Form Unit At Harbert Meeting

BY LYLE SUMERIX
South Berrien Bureau
HARBERT — A steering committee of Lake Michigan shoreline property owners in Berrien county was named yesterday to develop and submit plans for battling shoreline erosion to state and

federal officials. Appointment of the committee came at a two-hour meeting on erosion problems in the Harbert Community church. About 150 attended. According to spokesmen at the session, the committee is to meet with representatives of

the state Water Resources commission (WRC), the Army Corps of Engineers, the governor's office and State Rep. Harry Gast Jr., R-St. Joseph, on Feb. 5, in Lansing. Gast told the meeting he had learned that Gov. William Milliken plans to seek some \$1

million dollars for expert ideas for demonstration projects to combat erosion. Of this, he said, some \$300,000 is reported to be for financing pilot projects and \$75,000 for study of these projects.

He urged county property owners and groups having demonstration projects in mind to document them for presentation at the Feb. 5 meeting in Lansing. People unable to attend the meeting may pass on their ideas to Gast at his Lansing office, or to Frank Lahr, Stevensville, meeting chairman.

Lahr said that by working through Gast, Grand Mere property owners are hoping to get approval from state officials in Lansing to build limestone barriers of the shoreline as soon as the ice goes out.

He estimated cost of limestone barriers, measuring nine feet wide at the bottom and rising nine feet high, at \$1,500 to \$2,000 for a 100 foot lakefront lot. He said an 11,000 ton vessel could spread such a barrier up to 2,000 foot long with one dumping.

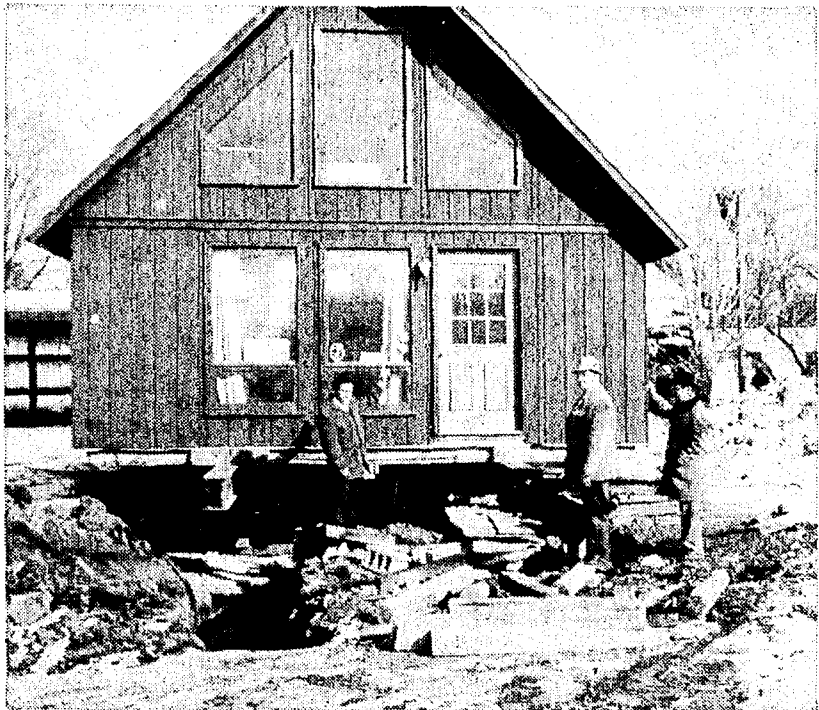
Named to the county steering committee to formulate a plan of action were Leonard Jacobs, Michiana village president, and Dr. Wayne Dunlop for New Buffalo township; Mitchell and Oliver Rapp, Chikaming township; Atty. Richard Walsh and Dr. Joseph Voita, Lake township; Lahr, Lincoln township; Mrs. Asselin, St. Joseph township; Mrs. Edward S. O'Keefe, Hagar township.

Other members are to be named from Lincoln, St. Joseph, Hagar and Benton



EROSION SESSION: Discussing erosion problems during a meeting yesterday at Harbert of Lake Michigan shoreline property owners in Berrien county were Frank Lahr of Stevensville, left; Donald Chapman, Lincoln township; Mrs. Dean Asselin of St. Joseph

township; Deputy Tom B. McCall, director of emergency preparedness for Berrien county; and Atty. Bruce Conybear of Benton Harbor. More than 150 persons were present. (Staff photo)



A SHORT MOVE: William Kechkaylo of Berrien Springs literally sold the ground out from under his feet. So he had to move his Kechkaylo Real Estate office to another site about 30 feet away. Inspecting the moving day operations are, from left: Joe Roderick and Vic Canfield, salesmen for the firm, and Kechkaylo. Land on North Cass street was sold to Edward Baker of Marshall who plans to build a laundromat of 4,000 square feet with 68 washers. It will be operated by a resident manager.

Watervliet Man Is Held In Knife Death At Coloma

COLOMA — A 38-year-old Watervliet man was being held today by Berrien county authorities in connection with the stabbing death of a man in Coloma.

John Smietanka, assistant prosecutor, said no specific charge has been authorized

yet. Investigation is continuing, he said.

In custody is James William Vaughn, 287 Forest Beach road, Watervliet, said Coloma city police.

The victim was identified by police as Rex Allen Schott, 26, route 4, Paw Paw Lake road, Coloma.

Schott died at 4:45 a.m. today at Mercy hospital, police said they were informed by Dr. William Bock, who was summoned to treat Schott.

Coloma police said Schott apparently was stabbed in the entry of an apartment at 302-1/2 Marvin court, Coloma. Officers said he was apparently looking for a man with whom he had argued earlier at the Friendly tavern, Coloma.

Police said he was stabbed twice, once in the chest and once in the abdomen.

Coloma police officers Jerry Crockett and Robert Collier found Schott lying on the steps of the office of Dr. Harold Koch, Paw Paw street, a distance of about 149 feet from the residence. Police said

Schott apparently had gone to the doctor's office to seek treatment for his wounds.

Officers took Schott by patrol car to Watervliet Community hospital. He was later transferred to Mercy hospital.

Police said they had been called to the Friendly tavern at 12:57 a.m. where they said they talked with Schott and Vaughn in regard to an argument between the two men.

Vaughn apparently left the tavern and went to the apartment with Schott following him there later, officers said.

The stabbing was reported at 1:59 a.m. by Junior Lee Beebe, 16, route 4, Box 619, Manor drive, Benton Harbor, police said.

Police said Beebe and another youth they identified as James E. Rose, 17, of 456 Blue Ridge, Millburg, had been visiting a baby sitter at the apartment residence, officers said. They apparently were told to leave by Vaughn, police said.

Police said Beebe, who was outside, ran to a nearby public telephone booth to summon



REX ALLEN SCHOTT
Stabbing victim

officers after seeing Schott staggering toward the doctor's office.

Vaughn was arrested by officers Crockett and Collier at the Thurston residence later.

Help Offered

BRIDGMAN — Ferdinand Macholz, assessor, will be in Bridgman city hall Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Jan. 24-25-26, to assist widows of eligible veterans, veterans and senior citizens of Bridgman in filing necessary affidavits for homestead tax exemptions. Hours will be from 9:30 a.m. to noon and from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

townships.

Property owners also heard reports from Mrs. Dean Asselin of St. Joseph, member of Lakeshore Property Owners association; Atty. Bruce Conybear of Benton Harbor, and Donald Chapman of Lincoln township.

Conybear told of his success

with using plastic mesh bags filled with sand to form a seawall. He said this cost about \$40 to \$50 per front foot.

He said this withstood summer storms, but sank to the clay bottom during the Nov. 15 and 16 storm.

Chapman described experimenting with several types of seawalls before constructing a sheet metal one last year, at a cost of \$110 per running foot. He said experts differed widely in rating steel seawalls.

The possibility of property owners receiving funds for flood damage was explained by Wesley Mitchell of Harbert.

He told of recently approved federally subsidized emergency flood insurance for which private property owners might qualify. He said information on the program could be obtained from Lawrence H. Witte, Assistant Chief of Hydrological Survey Division, Department of Natural Resources, Stevens T. Mason building, Lansing, 48926.

Deputy Tom B. McCall, director of emergency preparedness for Berrien county, said he was making a preliminary survey for the Small Business Administration (SBA) of storm damage to

private property during Nov. 15 and 16.

He said the county had been declared a disaster area for

purposes of damage to public owned shoreline property, but the SBA had not made a ruling regarding private property.

Wayland Crash Takes Life Of Coldwater Man

WAYLAND — A Coldwater man died in St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, late last night as the result of a one-car crash on U.S. 131 just north of this Allegan county community.

State police at the Wayland post said Anthony Stankewitz, 19, was a passenger in a car which slid on ice and rolled over in the southbound lane of

131 about one and a half miles south of the Allegan-Kent county line in Allegan county. According to police, the accident occurred at 8:05 p.m. while a car driven by Joseph Alexander, 19, also of Coldwater, was attempting to pass another vehicle.

Alexander and another passenger were treated at the St. Mary's emergency room and released, police said.

According to police, the victim died at 11:55 p.m., of head injuries.

The death was the third traffic fatality reported this year in Allegan county.

3 Auto Deaths
In Allegan
County In
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Berrien Man Hurt When Car Slides

EDWARDSBURG — A Berrien Springs man was injured last night when the car he was driving slid off a road south of Edwardsburg and hit a tree, according to Ontwa township-Edwardsburg police.

Treated and released at General hospital, Elkhart, Ind., was the driver, Wolfgang Gloege, 24, of 500 College street, Berrien Springs. A passenger, Paul Cooper, 22, of Elkhart, was also treated and released, according to a hospital spokesman.

Police said Gloege was reportedly attempting to pass a car on Elkhart road when the accident occurred at about 7:30 p.m. Officers said the road was icy.

Cassopolis Teenager Dies In Car Driven By Brother

CASSOPOLIS — A rural Cassopolis youth was killed west of here late yesterday afternoon when a car driven by his brother slid broadside into an oncoming car on M-60, Cass sheriff's officers reported.

Shelby Vincent Lawson, 17, route 2, M-60, was declared dead at the scene by Dr. Aaron Warren, deputy Cass medical examiner, deputies said.

A passenger in the other car, Kithrene Magnotta, 20, of Albion, was reported in good condition this morning at Niles Pawating hospital.

The accident occurred on M-

60 east of Oak Grove road at about 5:18 p.m., according to deputies.

Deputies said Lawson was a passenger in a westbound car

driven by Terrence P. Madden, 21, of Dallas, Tex.

Deputies said the road was slippery when the accident occurred.

Both drivers and an additional passenger in each car were treated for injuries in the Pawating hospital emergency room and released, deputies said.

No charges had been filed in connection with the accident this morning.

The death was the first traffic fatality reported this year in Cass county.

1 Auto Death
In Cass
County In
1973

State Democratic Party Warned By Labor Leader

By PATRICK CONNOLLY
Associated Press Writer

Michigan's restive political giants — the labor unions — are flexing their sore muscles again after taking a drubbing from Republican President Nixon and the Democratic machine of Sen. George McGovern.

William Marshall, head of the state's 300,000-member AFL-CIO, has sounded the warning snarl that the Democratic Party had better listen to the blue collar worker again — or else.

Sam Fishman, who is in charge of the United Auto Workers Union political arm, thinks the party ignored many issues of concern to the working man in last year's campaign.

"The McGovern people ran the campaign and some felt that crime in the street was a reactionary issue to raise. They were wrong," said Fishman, head of the UAW's Community Action Program CAP.

Marshall thundered in a statement last week, "The day is past when the AFL-CIO can be looked to only when it is time

to bail the party leadership out of trouble.

"We must be consulted before decisions are made. If this cannot be done, then we will not be available for consultation or help after the damage is done."

He charged that the party has been taken over by "amateurs and radicals" in a "power grab" that "closed the system tighter than before, imposing quota systems and rules which fostered anarchy."

Shock effect? Playing to his membership? Sincere wrath? Democratic Party leaders say it might be a bit of each, but they deny the majority of the state party goes along with what one official called "that pretty harsh rhetoric."

Marshall notes his blast came not coincidentally just three weeks before the State Democratic Convention, but party officials say the wind should die down by then.

"Most Democrats feel we've got problems but that we should consider them thoughtfully and not jump off bridges," said one high-ranking Democrat.

The AFL-CIO and UAW rode dark horses on a political nose

dive in 1972.

The AFL-CIO first supported its traditional favorite, Sen. Hubert Humphrey, then refused to endorse a presidential candidate when Humphrey faded in the primaries, although it fought against President Nixon's re-election.

The 1.8 million-member UAW backed Sen. Edmund Muskie until he joined Humphrey and a host of other Democrats in the campaign backwaters. Then the UAW supported McGovern.

Although Democrats took two more State House seats and captured a number of local posts, their U.S. Senate candidate, Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley, disappeared in the dust of incumbent Republican Robert Griffin.

Fishman is less sanguine about current affairs than Marshall.

"The party apparatus was taken over by the candidate and that's a normal situation," Fishman says.

He admits that because of party membership reforms fostered by McGovern, many old-line Democrats were ex-

cluded from the national convention "but McGovern was the most familiar with the new rules and took advantage of every possible one. It's hard to fault a guy for that."

"The first thing that has to be done is review the reforms and update those that need updating and utilize those that wish to continue," Fishman said.

Leonard Woodcock, UAW president, has accepted co-chairmanship of a national Democratic group that was formed to review the McGovern reforms, which substantially increased the number of blacks, women and young people at the party's nominating convention.

"The party and the candidates did not address themselves to problems that affect the average working man. They talked about campus disorders and welfare but ignored gut problems like tax reform and national health security," Fishman said.

Marshall's complaints and Fishman's "gut problems" will be key issues of discussion in the party for the next couple of years," a State Democratic Party spokesman said.